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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

BAMDAD et al.

Serial No. 10/016,416

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For:

Detection of Target Analytes

Using Particles and Electrodes

Examiner: LU, Frank Wei Min

Art Unit: 1634

"EXPRESS MAIL" Label No.: EV 554099086 US

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants have considered the Office Action mailed **November 2, 2004** and offer the following amendments and remarks. Accompanying this Amendment is a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 CFR §1.136(a), containing a provision for payment of the appropriate fee, extending the period for response by three months, to and including **April 2, 2005**, thus making it a timely response. Although the Applicants do not believe any additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (File No. 463037-00022; Docket No.: A-67032-2).

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.